Planning Commission in March, 1972 for an estimated cost of Rs. 4.62 crores. The project was completed during VII Plan at a cost of Rs. 28.79 crores. An Irrigation potential of 38.30 thousands hectare has been created under the project.

Status of Sardar Sarovar Project

2752. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are considering to confer the status of National Project for the Sardar Sarovar Project in Gujarat keeping in view its importance;

(b) if so, by when the final decision will be taken in the matter; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY) : (a) No Sir.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

Augmentation of Irrigation in N.E. Region

2753. SHRI KARNENDU BHATTACHARJEE : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) the number of proposals received by Government regarding augmentation of irrigation during the last three years till date from North-East States, specially Assam;

(b) the number of proposals cleared by Central Government during this period in respect of each State;

(c) the estimated cost of project and funds by Central Government to North East States during each of last three years;

(d) the present status of the remaining proposals of NE States and reasons for delay;

(e) the number of irrigation projects completed in NE Region with special reference to Assam; and

(f) by when remaining projects will be completed ?